



St Andrew's Church

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Welcome to St Andrew's - may God's peace be with you

The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity 16th August 2026

8.00am BCP Holy Communion

President and Preacher : The Rev'd James Sampson-Foster

10.30am Choral Eucharist

President : The Rev'd Canon Edmund Newey

Preacher and Deacon : The Rev'd Peter Privett

Healing : Alison and John

12.30pm Baptism of William Preece-Brayn

Officiant : The Rev'd James Sampson-Foster

Mass Setting: Mass of St Thomas *Thorne*

Processional Hymn **629**: Father, hear the prayer we offer

Gradual Hymn **653**: Happy are they, they that love God

Offertory Hymn **806**: There's a wideness in God's mercy

Recessional Hymn **588**: And can it be that I should gain

Collect:

O God, you declare your almighty power
most chiefly in showing mercy and pity:
mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace,
that we, running the way of your commandments,
may receive your gracious promises,
and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Reading: Isaiah 56:1,6-8

Thus says the Lord:

Maintain justice, and do what is right,
for soon my salvation will come,
and my deliverance be revealed.

And the foreigners who join themselves to the Lord,
to minister to him, to love the name of the Lord,
and to be his servants,
all who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it,
and hold fast my covenant—
these I will bring to my holy mountain,
and make them joyful in my house of prayer;
their burnt-offerings and their sacrifices
will be accepted on my altar;
for my house shall be called a house of prayer
for all peoples.

Thus says the Lord God,
who gathers the outcasts of Israel,
I will gather others to them
besides those already gathered.

Gospel: Matthew 15: 21-28

Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, 'Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.'

But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, 'Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.'

He answered, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.'

But she came and knelt before him, saying, 'Lord, help me.'

He answered, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs.'

She said, 'Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table.'

Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.' And her daughter was healed instantly.

Post Communion Prayer:

Lord of all mercy,

we your faithful people have celebrated that one true sacrifice which takes away our sins and brings pardon and peace:

by our communion

keep us firm on the foundation of the gospel

and preserve us from all sin;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Healing prayer: George W, Luci & Sophie, Gillian M, Caroline, Lily, Denise, Mary S, Mary G, Cheryl W, David, S.M, Jane B, William B, Rosemary & John K, Sue P, Carol S, Patricia T, David P, Margaret S, Mick W, Nick B.

In Memoriam: Wilbert James

Baptism: The family of William Albert Preece-Brayn

News and Notices

Any item to be included should be with the office by Wednesday, 12noon

Renovation Works. Our Phase I building project continues to make good progress: cleaning the northern frontage of the church, restoring the stonework, replacing window guards, installing ecologically-sound floodlighting and refurbishing the railings. We are very grateful for the support of Rugby Borough Council's town centre regeneration funding to enable this project and are planning a celebration of the completed works for Sunday 20th September.

The Big Table Gospel group meets every week around the talking table in the cafe, alternating on Thursday and Friday mornings. Contact John on shoparound1938@gmail.com

Bereavement Point 2.15pm - 3.45pm on the 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month (plus the 5th if there is one!). Opportunity for group conversation and relationship building where everyone is welcome and comfort is offered <https://compassionaterugby.co.uk/>

Church Mice Stay and Play Group 10-11.30am Fridays (term time) for ages 0-4 years and it's free. Please spread the news where you can. Volunteers are warmly welcome—have a chat with Lydia, Joyce or Heather for more information. Thank you.

Thanking all volunteers! St Andrew's relies on the generosity of a large number of volunteers across a wide range of areas, from singing and serving to counting money and working in the cafe. Your clergy and Community Engagement Lead would love to say thank you by inviting you to tea, cake and some entertainment in church on the afternoon of Sunday 6th September at 4pm. More information will follow shortly, but do please save the date.

The St Andrew's 100 Club The fourth draw of the second year of The St Andrew's 100 Club, took place following the 10.30 service on Sunday 2 August with the winning tickets being - Number 74 held by Andrew Harris, Number 84 held by Tiago Ferrera, and Number 9 held by John O'Rourke. Congratulations to our three new winners who bring our total winners to 49. Tickets are £25 each per annum, which is less than 7p per day, and there is no limit as to the number you may hold. The prize draws take place on the first Sunday of each month, for the previous month. Thank you for your support - 'You've Got To Be In It, To Win It'

Arts Festival Could you spare an hour on Saturday 22nd August to help at our stall at the Arts Festival in Caldecott Park? We'll be sharing information about the fantastic groups and activities taking place at church, and we'd love your help handing out leaflets and chatting with visitors. If you're able to volunteer for an hour, please see Alison to add your name to the volunteer rota. Thank you!

Diary for the week 17th – 23rd August

Church Community Café open Monday - Friday 9.30am-2pm
Saturday 9.30am-12noon

Monday

9.00am Morning Prayer
10.00am Ball of Yarn Knitting &
crochet drop-in group
7.30pm Bell Ringing practice

Tuesday

9.00am Morning Prayer
9.30am Reflective Eucharist
1.00pm Tuesday Lunchtime
Concert
2.00pm Bereavement Point

Wednesday

9.00am Morning Prayer
10.00am Community
Conversations
12.00pm Holy Communion
7.00pm Women's Circle group

Thursday

9.00am Morning Prayer
6.00pm Holy Communion

Friday

9.00am Morning Prayer
10.00am Big Table Gospel group

Saturday

Sunday 23rd August 12th Sunday after Trinity

8.00am BCP Holy Communion
10.30am Sung Eucharist
12.30pm Baptism service
4.00pm Ukraine Service

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After the service, please feel free to join us for coffee—a chance for us all to get to know each other better.

If you have felt something special in this service and want to talk about faith, have a chat with one of the clergy or ministers after the service.

Toilets are available through the arch beside the main entrance